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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

AKIO NAKASHIMA, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/961,425

Filed: September 25, 2001

For: WATER-METACHROMATIC
LAMINATE, AND PROCESS
FOR ITS PRODUCTION

Examiner: Tamra Dicus

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002 to March 20, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension in connection with this paper, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002 (Paper No. 5),
please amend the application as follows:

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a.) Introductory Comments

The present amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Revised Format established by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, as permitted in the Pre-OG Notice entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted", a copy of which is attached.